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SUBJECT: SELECTION OF IMCO SECRETARY GENERAL

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1. PURSUING CAMPAIGN FOR SYG POST PERSONALLY, MENSAH HAS ADDRESSED LETTER OF MARCH 14 TO NUMBER OF IMCO-CONNECTED OFFICIALS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS, INCLUDING DE FACTO PERMREPS IN LONDON. COPY MENSAH LETTER POUCHED MARCH 15 ATTENTION EB/ MA WEBB AND IO/ TRC GRIP. IN LETTER MENSAH PROVIDES APOLOGIA FOR SEEKING TOP JOB IN IMCO, SAYS USEFUL HAVE AFRICAN IN POST, AND SEES DANGERS IN HAVING INDIAN AS IMCO HEAD IN VIEW DIFFICULT POLITI-CAL QUESTIONS INVOLVING PRC AND SUB- CONTINENT. MENSAH LISTS CRITICAL PROBLEMS FACING IMCO IN 1974 AND SUGGESTS IMCO BETTER SERVED IN SOLVING THESE BY OLD HAND THAN BY ENTIRELY NEW PERSON. ON DELICATE PERSONAL QUESTION OF JUMPING MENSAH OVER HEAD SENIOR OFFICIALS INCLUDING DEPUTY SYG, MENSAH WRITES THAT HE DISCUSSED PROBLEM WITH DSYG AND RECEIVED IMPRESSION THERE WAS NO REAL PROBLEM. HE WINDS UP BY REQUESTING ADDRESSEES ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT IN GETTING GOVERNMENT VOTE FOR HIM IN COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLY.

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- 2. IN ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT WE UNDERSTAND FROM SAVELIEV, JUST BACK FROM MOSCOW, THAT AVERIN WILL DEFINITELY NOT BE CANDIDATE ( LONDON 2860) AND THAT NO OTHER SOCIALIST STATE WILL SPONSOR A CANDIDATE.
- 3. SRIVASTAVA CANDIDATURE NOW OFFICIAL WITH CIRCULATION INDIAN HIGH COMMISSION NOTE UNDER COVER IMCO NOTE A1/ B/1.19( NV.22) OF MARCH 7.

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